65 ·	Ashok Kumar Hospital, 3-4-136, Barkatpura, Hyderabad.	Specialized ENT treatment.
66 ·	Smiline Dental Hospitals, Next to Gold Spot on the main Road, Ameerpet, Hyderabad.	Specialised Dental treatment & X-Ray.
67 ·	Mahavir Hospital & Research Center, A.C. Guards Hyderabad.	General/Specialized treatment & Diagnostic procedures including Cardiology & Cardio-Thoracic Surgery.
68 ·	Apollo DRDO Hospital, Kanchanbagh, Hyderabad.	General purpose treatment.

*Referral to these hospitals has been temporarily stopped pending inquiry.

TB Deaths in Orissa

2747. MS PRAMILA BOHIDAR: will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that TB is one of the biggest killers in Orissa;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the State reports around 80,000 cases of TB annually;

(c) whether the new system, Directly Observed Treatment short course (DOT) is playing miracle in controlling this menace; and

(d) to what extent it has been implemented in Orissa and the other States of country and proved successful?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) TB is one of the biggest killers in India. About 35,000 TB cases are detected and put on treatment under the programme annually in the state of Orissa.

(c) DOTS is very effective in controlling TB. Cure rate is 86% in Orissa as against 85% at national level.

(d) With a view to achieveing a cure rate of 85% of new sputum cases and to detect atleast 70% of such cases, the Revised National TB Control

Programme (RNTCP) which is a WHO recommended DOTS strategy is being implemented in the country in a phased manner since 1997. Till date 700 million population of the country has already been covered under the revised strategy. It is envisaged to cover 850 million populations under the revised strategy by 2004 and the entire population by 2005.

The project districts are reporting treatment success rate of more than 80% which means that more than 8 out of every 10 patients detected and put on treatment on the revised strategy are successfully treated as against less than 4 in the earlier programme.

In Orissa, out of 30 districts, DOTS strategy is being implemented in the 16 tribal districts. The remaining 14 districts are undergoing preparatory activities for adoption of revised strategy.

High Blood Pressure among kids

2748. SHRI RAJU PARMAR : will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware on incidence of high blood pressure among kids;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether it is a fact that children between the age group of 12-18 have diseases like high cholesterol, high BP and are under-weight or over-weight, besides having other problems; and

(d) if so, the steps Government have taken or propose to take to provide adequate medical facilities to children in the country, and how much grant Government are receiving per annum from the World Health Organisation and UNICEF?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) According to a published epidemiologica[1] study of blood pressure in school children (5-14 years) in Delhi, the prevalence of Hypertension among school children was around 12% in boys and 11.4% in girls. The study covered both Government and Public Schools and included all social economic groups.

As per the ICMR funded study conducted on adolescents belonging to affluent families, high systolic blood pressure among children was found in about 30% and high diastolic blood pressure was found 16.7% children in the age group of 13-18 years of 5 South Delhi Public Schools. As per